

**ORDINANCE NO. 1128**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
CAMARILLO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CAMARILLO  
MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 17.04.090.K, REGARDING  
TEMPORARY NONCOMMERCIAL SIGNS**

The City Council of the City of Camarillo ordains as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Findings. The City Council of the City of Camarillo finds as follows:

A. Chapter 17.04 (Sign Regulations (Private Property)) of the Camarillo Municipal Code regulates the placement of signs on private property within the City.

B. On March 23, 2016, the City Council adopted amendments to Chapter 17.04 with respect to temporary noncommercial signs during election periods, which amendments inadvertently omitted the ability to place additional temporary noncommercial signs in the rear yard location of a private residential property during an election period as permitted under the then existing Sign Regulations.

C. The City wishes to amend Chapter 17.04 to clarify the continuing right to place additional temporary noncommercial signs in the rear yard location of a private residential property during an election period, and to make other minor amendments to the Sign Code with respect to the height of such signs in residential areas, and the time period for their removal at the conclusion of an election period.

D. The City's Planning Commission reviewed the proposed amendments at a duly-noticed public hearing on August 16, 2016. After all interested parties were given full opportunity to be heard and to present evidence, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council that the Council adopt the proposed ordinance.

E. On September 14, 2016, the City Council conducted a duly-noticed public hearing to consider this ordinance, and all interested parties were given full opportunity to be heard and to present evidence.

F. After reviewing the evidence presented, the City Council finds that this ordinance is consistent with the City's General Plan.

**SECTION 2.** Environmental Review. The City Council exercises its independent judgment and finds that this ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and Section 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because the subject regulations have no potential for resulting in any significant physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

**SECTION 3.** Amendment to CMC Chapter 17.04.090.K. Subsection (K) [Temporary Freestanding Noncommercial Signs] of CMC Section 17.04.090 (Signs Permitted in All Zones), is amended, with additions in underline and deletions in strikeouts, as follows:

"K. Temporary Freestanding Noncommercial Signs.

1. General Regulations.

- (a) Number. In residential zones only, each parcel is permitted two temporary freestanding noncommercial signs at all times. Such signs are in addition to all other signage allowed in this chapter.
- (b) Area. A temporary freestanding noncommercial sign may not exceed six square feet in area.
- (c) Height. A temporary freestanding noncommercial sign may not exceed four feet in height.
- (d) Location. Temporary freestanding noncommercial signs may be placed in the front yard, rear or side yard of any property; provided, that the signs do not encroach into any public right-of-way.
- (e) Lighting. Temporary freestanding noncommercial signs may not be illuminated.

2. Election Period Regulations. During any election period, the following additional opportunities for temporary noncommercial signs are permitted, subject to the following regulations:

- (a) Number. Each parcel in all zones is permitted eight temporary freestanding noncommercial signs. Such signs are in addition to all other signage allowed in this chapter.
- (b) Area. In agricultural, commercial, and industrial zones, no temporary freestanding noncommercial sign may exceed 32 square feet in area per face. The sign may be double-faced if it is placed perpendicular to the right-of-way. In residential areas, no temporary freestanding noncommercial sign may exceed six square feet in total area per face and may be double-faced.
- (c) Height. In residential zones, a temporary freestanding noncommercial sign may not exceed four feet in height from the adjacent ground level in front or side-yard areas or three feet in height from the top of any rear-yard wall or fence if posted on top of a rear-yard wall or fence. In agricultural, commercial, and industrial zones, the bottom of the sign may not exceed four feet in height, and the top of the sign may not exceed 10 feet in height.
- (d) Location. Temporary freestanding noncommercial signs may be placed in the front, rear or side yard of any property; provided, that the signs do not encroach into any public right-of-way.
- (e) Lighting. Temporary freestanding noncommercial signs may not be illuminated.

- (f) Removal. All of the additional temporary freestanding noncommercial signs permitted during an election period must be removed within seven days following the end of the election period."

**SECTION 4. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any portion of the ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 5. Publication.** The City Clerk is directed to certify this ordinance and cause it to be published in the manner required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED September 28, 2016.

ATTEST: 9/29/16  
Jamadland  
City Clerk

Mike Morgan  
Mayor

I, Jeffrie Madland, City Clerk of the City of Camarillo, certify that Ordinance No. 1128 was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on September 14, 2016, and thereafter adopted at a regular meeting on September 28, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Kildee, Little, McDonald, Mayor Morgan  
NOES: Councilmembers: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers: Craven

Jamadland  
City Clerk

